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BEL SORRISO VINEYARD



This is the youngest of the vineyards on our property, and was planted between 2000 and 2001. All of its 3.3 hectares are in a bright, sunny position, very suited to red grapes. In fact, this vineyards consists mainly of Barbera and Bonarda vines, as well as Cabernet Savignon and Merlot, all using the Guyot growing system with density of 5000 plants per hectare: this vineyard is the beating heart of TerredellaTosa, and with Cabernet and Merlot, it also contributes to Luna Selvatica.

At an altitude of 210-220 meters above sea level, it is a section of land that slopes to the north, with a chalky, clay-like soil, with the most calcium and the most compact, and together with a southern part of the Sorriso vineyard, the terrain with the least number of rocks of all of our land, without much limestone and rich in iron and manganese nodules.

In its early years, since it is a young vineyard, the vegetation was especially rigorous, especially as regards the central-eastern part of the parcel, where the Barbera and Bonarda grapes grow: since 2011 the vegetation began to temper, and the concentration of musts from the vineyard have benefitted.

The concentration here, in truth, together with a grand quantity of tannins and aromatic maturity, is the hallmark of the Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot, thanks to the extreme western section of the terrain where they are positioned in a not very fertile soil. The rest of the vineyard, in slightly more fertile soil but the same sun exposure, gives the Barbera grapes exception freshness and expressivity in the northern section and balance and elegance in the south, while the Bonarda is rich with tannins and aroma, smooth and enveloping.

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